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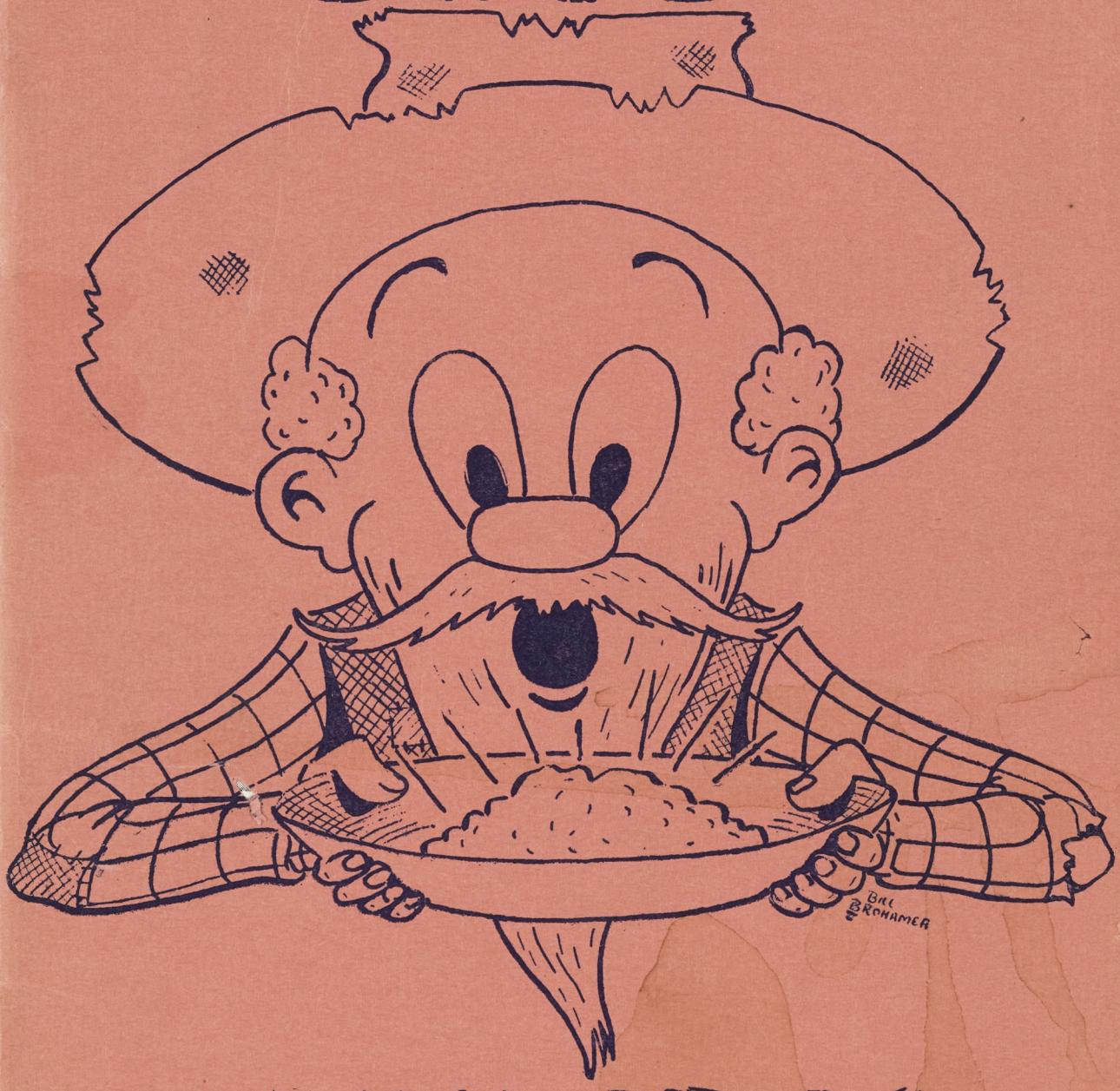

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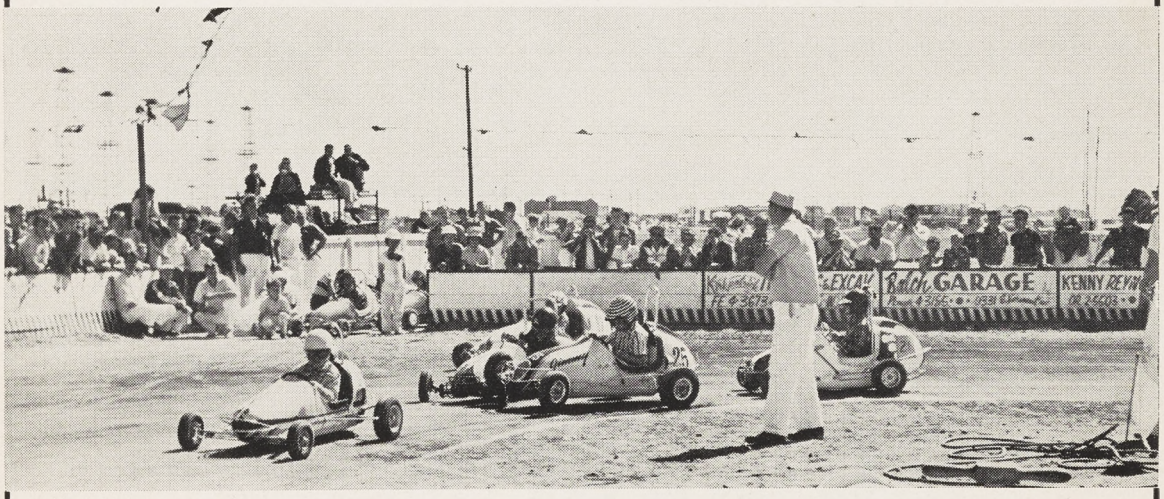

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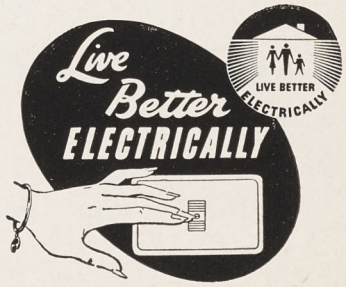

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YUCCA VALLEY, ITS ROOTS AND ITS BRANCHES

The picturesque basin almost two-thirds of a mile above sea level, now known as Yucca Valley, had a magnetic attraction for the pioneer ever since the last remaining tribe of aborigines left the Oasis of Maru, in approximately 1913.

Even before that year, some of the first white settlers journeyed to the valley to take up land on the Public Domain for homesteading. One of the first was Joseph Heard, who came in 1910. Martin Fuller arrived in 1913, both of whom settled on property now owned by their families.

John Cariker and Fred Pierce came soon after. In 1916 Hezikiah Quick settled in the west end of the present village. The precise dates of those to follow are not available at this writing, however, the families of Ellis, Kirkpatrick, Stacy, Smalley, Grey, Robertson, Dutton, Harold and Redden came over a period up to 1925.

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While these intrepid men and others whose names have been omitted, were not permanent residents at that time, they laid the corner stones of Yucca Valley. They accepted and conquered the challenge to carve from a wilderness, a home in which to abide and raise their families. These were the original "Grubstakers," because most of them, from force of necessity, were required to leave from time to time to accumulate resources in the more populated areas.

In those almost forgotten days, the road or trail leading in, meandered up the long grade from Morongo, deviating often to avoid boulders, and entering the west end of Yucca Valley, bore to the south toward the nearest watering place, called the "tunnel." This was in the region now known as Juniper Heights.

From here the road led northeastward past the present Post Office site, and thence more or less directly across the existing Yucca Acres tract to Warren's Well, which is now owned and occupied by Dr. John Bendall. Here the early traveller often made camp at the welcome water supply of the cattle ranch.

Since the "eighties," this ranch, established by William Warren and later owned by a Mr. Talmadge who at one time ran a herd of 1500 cattle on the surrounding range, was an oasis in an otherwise waterless desert. It watered the thirsty mule skinners and mules bringing ore from the Dale Mine east of Twentynine Palms, after the long haul from Coyote Well near Sunfair, enroute to San Bernardino. In 1934, the highway was oiled from Morongo through Yucca Valley, leaving a very rough gravel road from that point on to Twentynine Palms.

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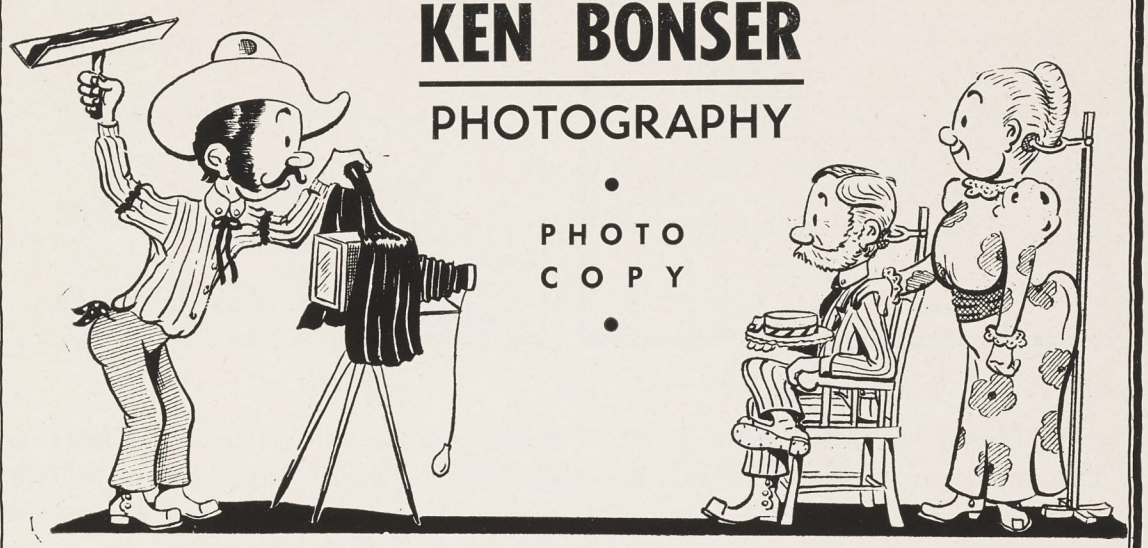

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Mr. Stacy homesteaded at the mouth of Pioneer Canyon and southeastward some time in 1930, and later sold some acreage to Burt Cunningham at the site of the present Post Office. A small building was erected and from it Mr. Cunningham operated a limited grocery service. It was later owned by a Mr. Lillie, who subsequently sold to Edward Hardesty, senior and junior.

The teaching of children began in 1913, when 25 students were assembled in the home of John Cariker east of the Fuller homestead, and were instructed in the three Rs by Christine Snelling, assisted by her sister Grace. Mrs. Camelia Hudson also taught at a later date.

The first school building, which is still standing, was built on Yucca Trail, a very small structure with an exterior wainscoat of rock. A wooden building was later constructed which burned. This was rebuilt to serve the growing populace until the present modern elementary school was completed.

When the Hardestys purchased the Lillie property in 1943, the incoming mail from Whitewater was tossed into a cardboard box and eventually collected by the various addressees of the countryside. In 1945 a few mail boxes were procured and a fourth class Post Office was established, with Hilda Hardesty as Postmistress, a position she has retained to the present day.

Mr. Walter Harrell, who held the patent on the property across the highway from the Post Office known as the Lone Star Ranch, contended that the name of the town should be Lone Star, however, Mrs. Hardesty was given the option to choose between Lone Star, and Yucca Valley, and she chose the latter.

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Also in 1946, nine visionary men exploited the first Real Estate sub-division, which included Fred A. Storey, Thomas Bouchey, Guy Richards, Al Anderson, Gus Tamplis, Hugh Estes, John Vogel, and Roland Thompson among others. Streets were laid, water was piped and Yucca Valley took on the aspects of progress. In 1947, the road from Morongo was straightened and re-paved. During this year electric power came to the valley.

This, of course, gave impetus to the development, and new sub-divisions sprang up like

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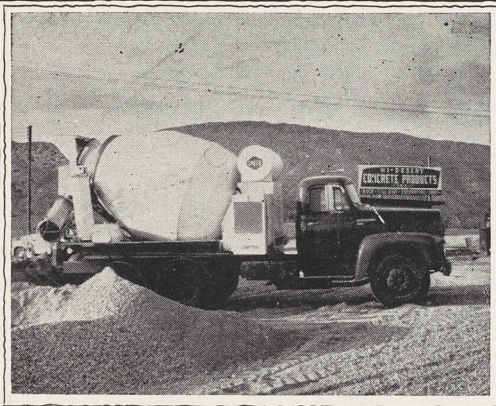

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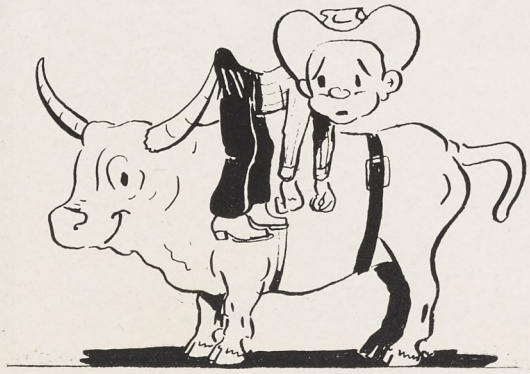

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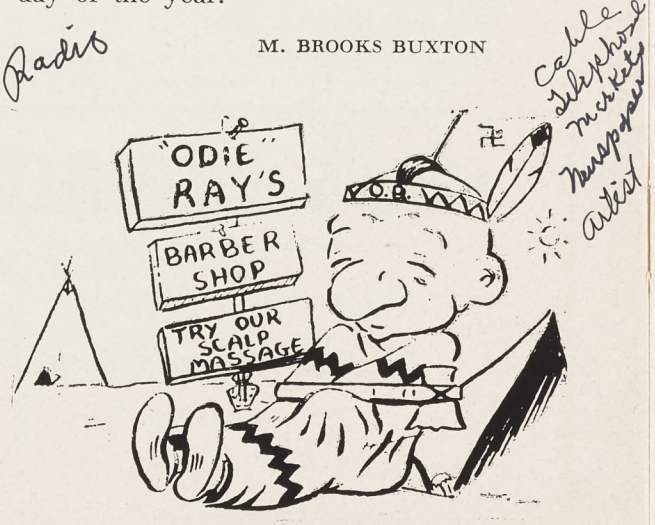

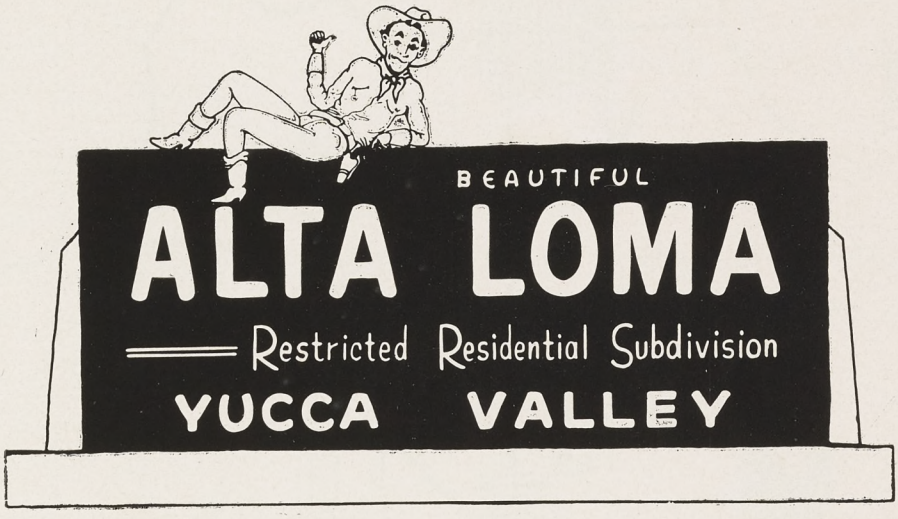

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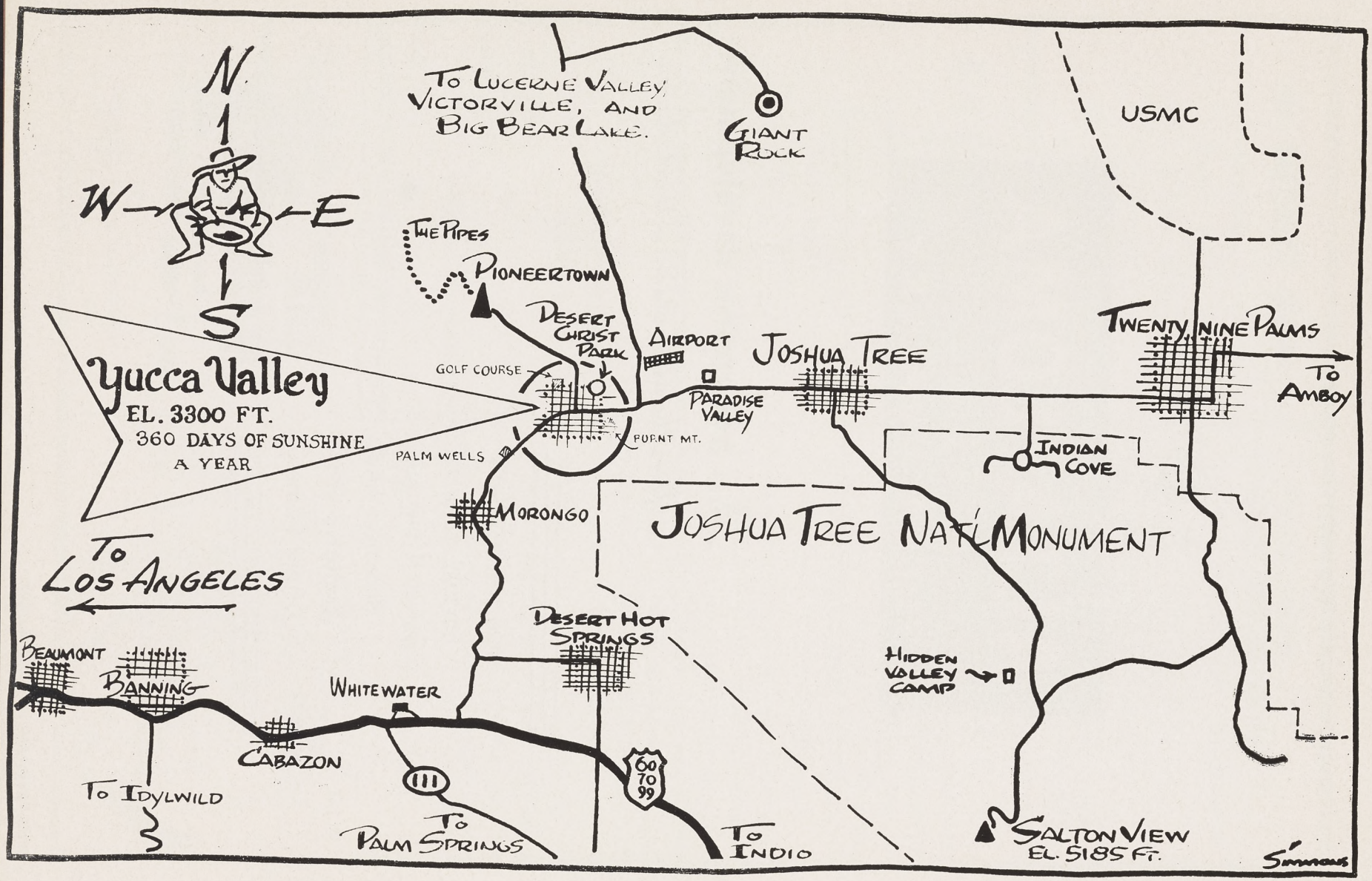
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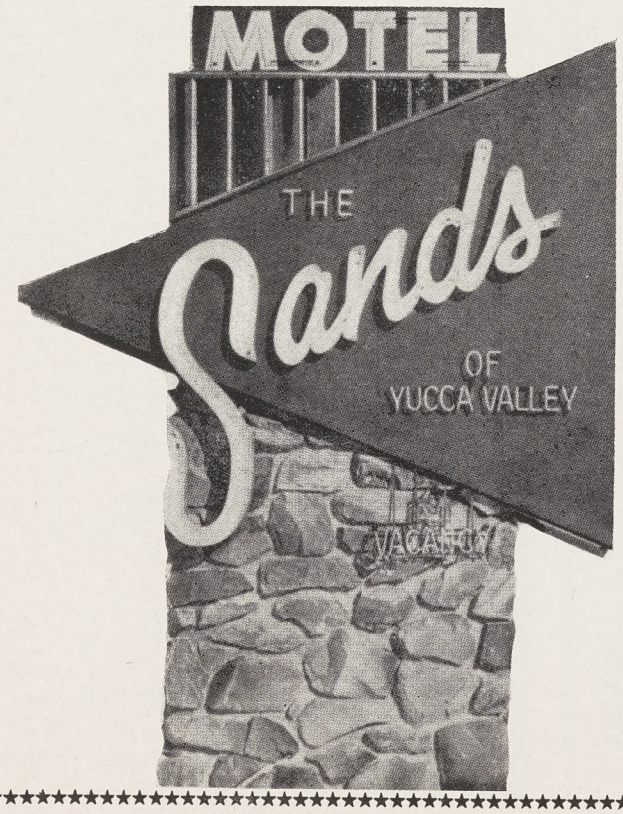

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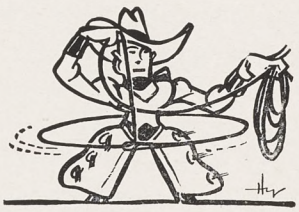

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This group is on call for all emergencies.

Many people come out to this part of the country and drive out to sparsely settled areas without thought of extra water and provisions so that in case of accident or being lost they can survive until help reaches them.

When a plane crashes the posse will go in to mark it so that it will be visible from the air.

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New business projects started this year include a weekly newspaper, The High Desert Star, sponsored by the Yucca Valley Chamber of Commerce but now under private ownership, T.V. cable service, one market, one shoe store, six shops of various kinds, three motels, three building supply firms, ready mix concrete, two eating places, six real estate and insurance agencies, two garages and one filling station.

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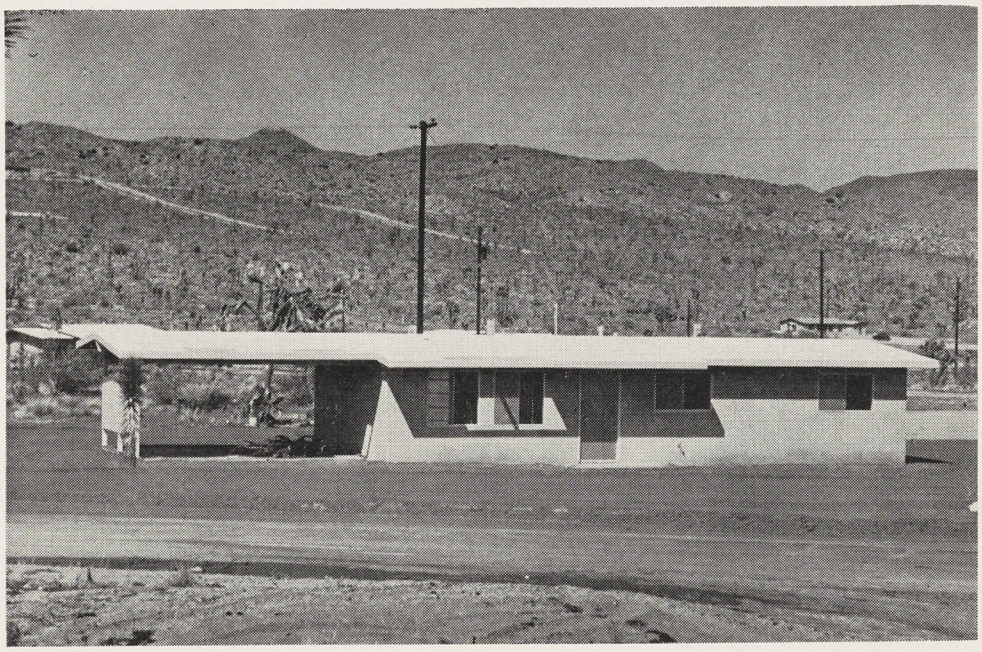
A five classroom school in Joshua Tree and Unified District Administrative Offices in Twentynine Palms are under construction.

Approximately three hundred children, ages five to thirteen, attend the modern classrooms in Yucca Valley and take advantage of the new multi-purpose building which provides cafeteria, offices and an auditorium for school and community use.



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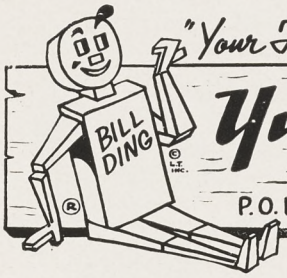
Interest was shown, too, in identifying desert plants, their history, as well as in rocks and desert cactus gardens and displays.

Guest speakers, moving pictures and colored slides are a part of the present programs, with question and answer periods; short talks and discussions by members and visitors of the club, followed by refreshments and a social hour.

Field trips to nearby points of interest, visits to flower shows and all-day trips with pot luck dinners are being planned for the coming year by the present Program Chairman, L. A. Omundson, these trips being scheduled for the fourth Monday of each month.



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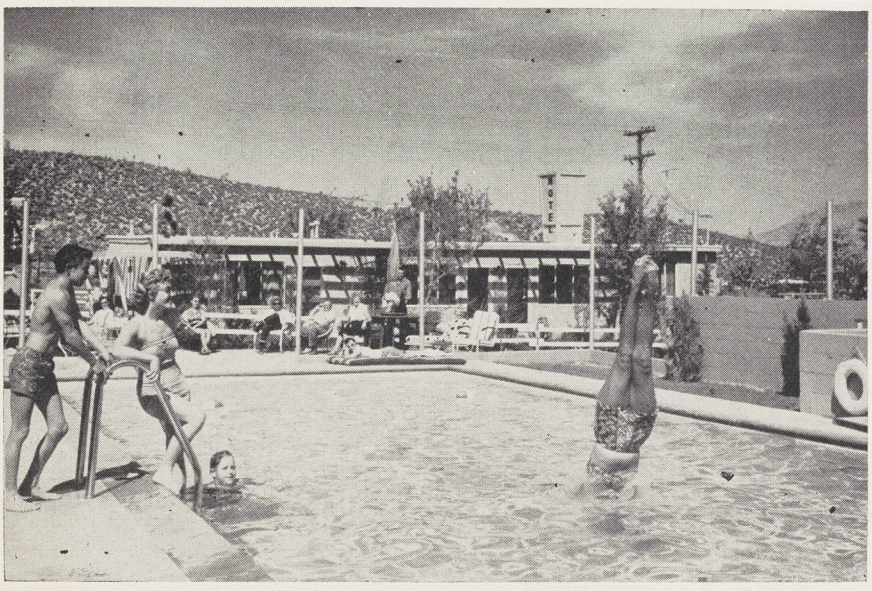

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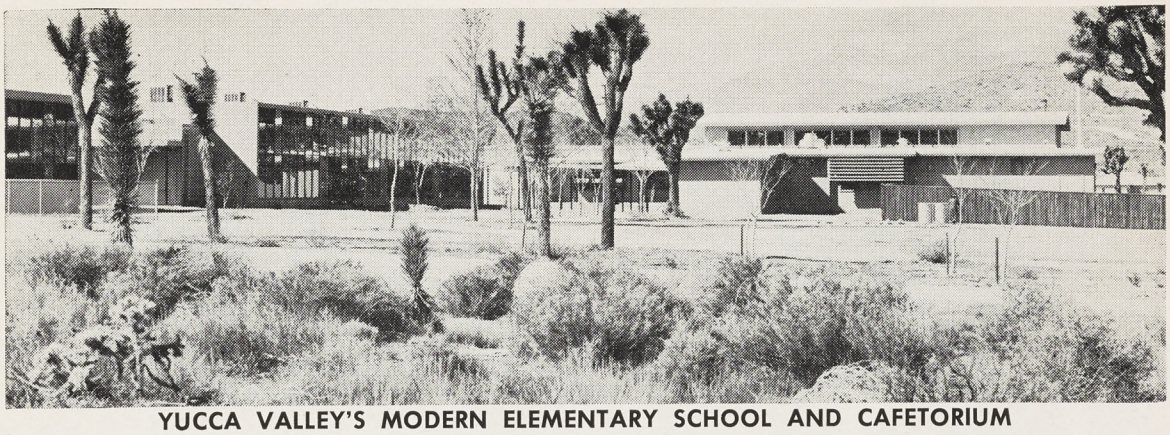

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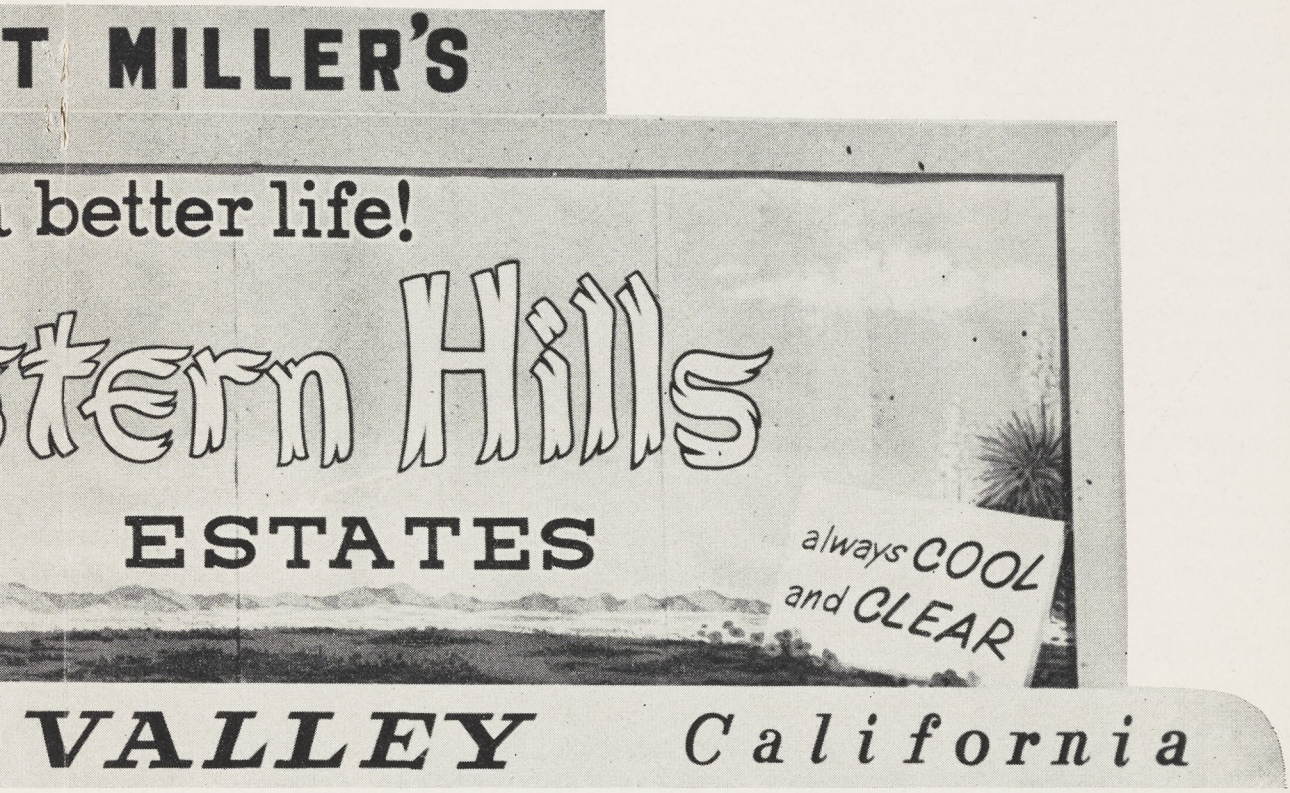

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Under the spirited leadership of President Paul Perrin, many civic projects have been completed, and many needed services made available. In reviewing the Club's accomplishments it is easy to point with pride to such notable achievements as their sponsorship of the Community Ambulance Campaign, and the acquiring of its equipment, their purchase of a "Walker," an orthopedic appliance, which is available for the use of any citizen. Funds are maintained for aid to the blind and those in need of glasses or treatment. The Health and Welfare Committee has been most active, supplying immediate and temporary relief to those in physical or financial distress. The Club also sponsors the Yucca Valley Boy Scout Troop.

The funds needed for these and many other projects, are raised through contributions of the members themselves, Fund Drives, benefit dinners, and booths, such as the one being manned through *Grubstake Days*.

But in a larger sense countless good works are carried on by the Lions and their Ladies, outside Club sponsorship, such as Lion Roy Roush, President of the Chamber of Commerce, Lion Woody Wilson, guiding light of the Cub Scouts. In these and many more groups the Lions are well represented.

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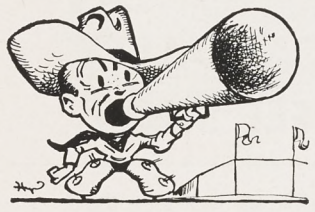

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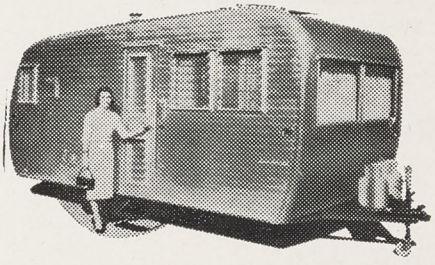

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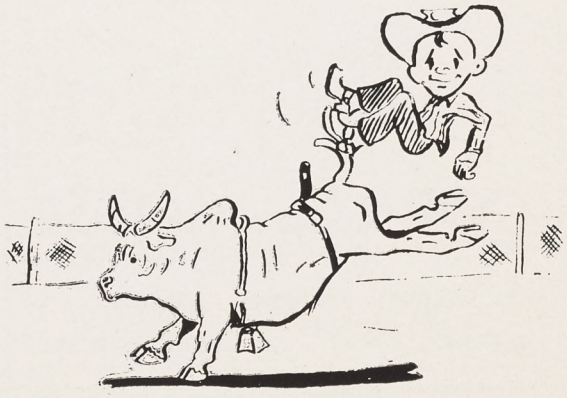

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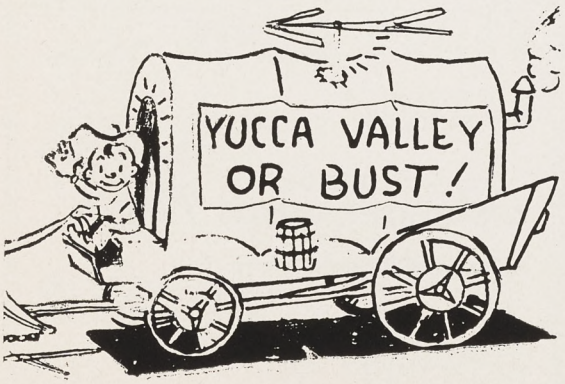

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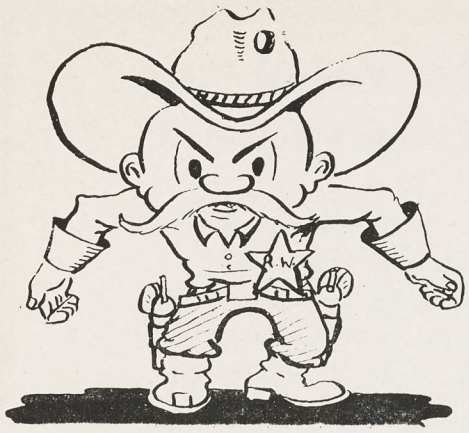

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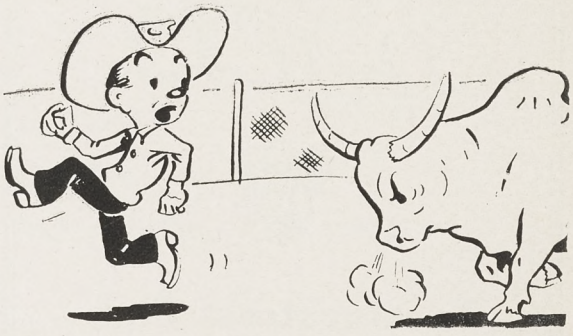

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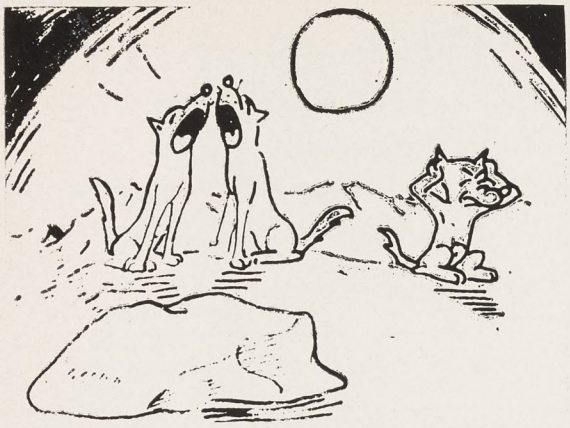

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The club's objectives throughout its nine years of existence has been to further cultural entertainment, to assist in Girl Scout programs and school needs, to sponsor Red Cross campaigns and to assist in many community enterprises. Dinners have been served for the benefit of families in need, the receipts providing assistance of value in a time of emergency.

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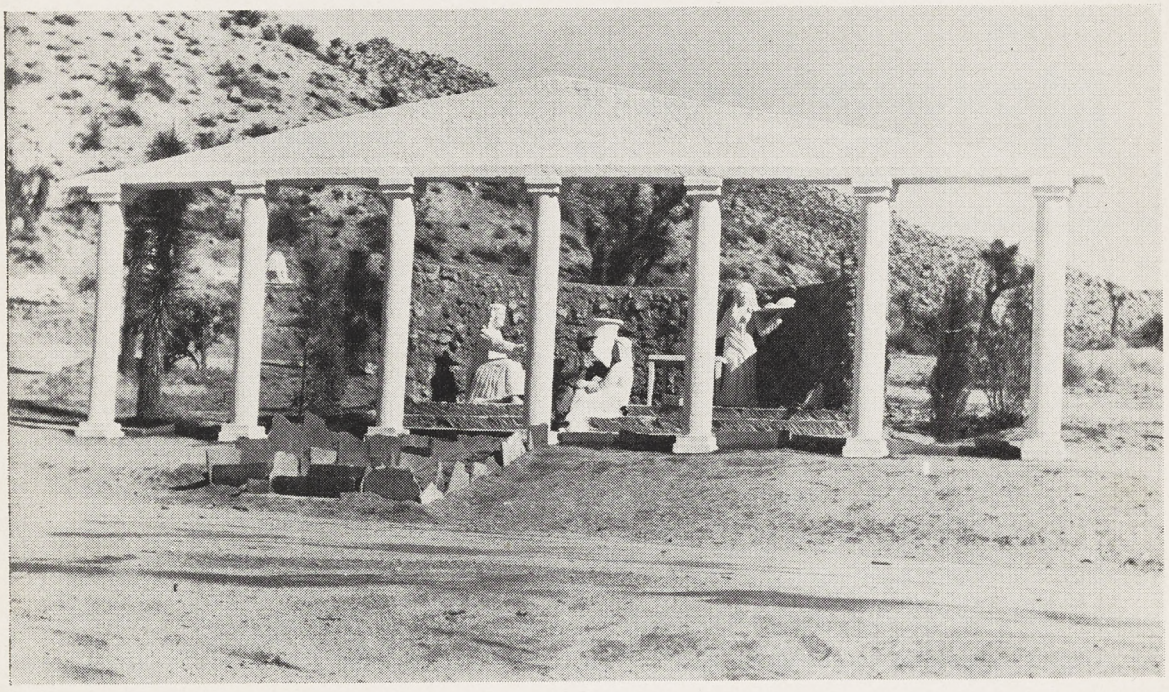

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At present the Park of statuary, unique in the world, is a Park in search of a name befitting its national and world-wide status. Mr. Martin's presentation of scenes visualizing the written and spoken messages that teach the way to the Brotherhood of Man have given new vision to many thousands. Their startling realism out in the quiet of the desert has given life to words long known but that still remain words more than deeds in this troubled era. They are offered wholly without inference of creed, sect, individual belief or of belief at all.

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Until September 1, 1957 the building inspection for this area which included Morongo Valley to the County Line on the west, to Yucca Mesa Road on the east, and three miles on each side of 29 Palms Highway, was handled by a building inspector for the county on a half-time basis. After September 1, 1957 this was made a full-time job and the territory extended to Township 4 North, Range 3 East out Victorville Road.

One of the reasons for the extension of the inspection area was that the Rural Electrification Program was being extended to this new territory and a boom in the building program was underway.

California Electric Company is building from Lucerne Valley into the north part of the area which will bring about additional construction.

With the opening up of more five acre tracts in the northern part of this inspection area and the many new subdivisions that are being graded and prepared for sale in and around Yucca Valley, Pioneertown and Morongo Valley, the future for the construction business here looks very bright.

The road from the west through Morongo Valley, the road from the east through 29 Palms and the Victorville Highway from Lucerne Valley on the north, makes Yucca the hub of the desert. This brings thousands of visitors here each month looking for land on which to build a week-end cottage and a place to eventually live.

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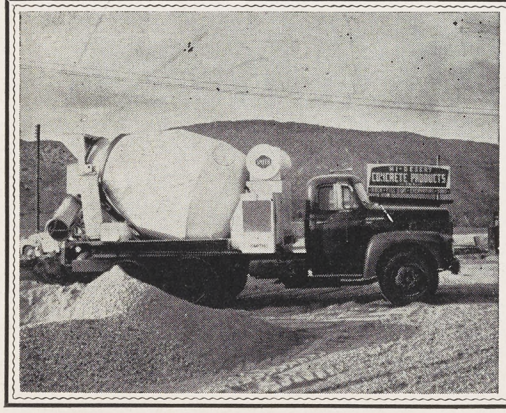

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By "Flabby Lips" Mac Dee

Up onta the high desert where the road goes now from L. A. ta Needles they is a place called Yucca Valley. They was lots of injuns what lived there, with Yucca trees and sometimes some water.

Wel these hear injuns got tired of eatin lizards and snakes soes they took of fer the mountains bout too times a year to hunt bare and deer *(Ed. note; I wonder, did he mean bare dear?)*. They went on West the way they crost thru whuts now knowed as Pioneertown headen thru toward Lucerne where they comes ta a spring, Old Woman Springs and leafs the lattest batch of old wumen ta kick the buckut then the heathen makes a left turn and goes up ta Bear Valley.

Purty soon long comes the white man and sets hisself up a land office in Yucca Valley soes to git away from the smog, and a cemit

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plant too ta meke footins for them fancy new shacks. After while lotsa folks is moved ta the desert and is got a real town roarin in this here Yucca Valley Place. What with mercantele shops tee vee and the like; they hired a mess of ghosts and makes pioneertown a ghost town which of course brung up movie folks to make pichers.

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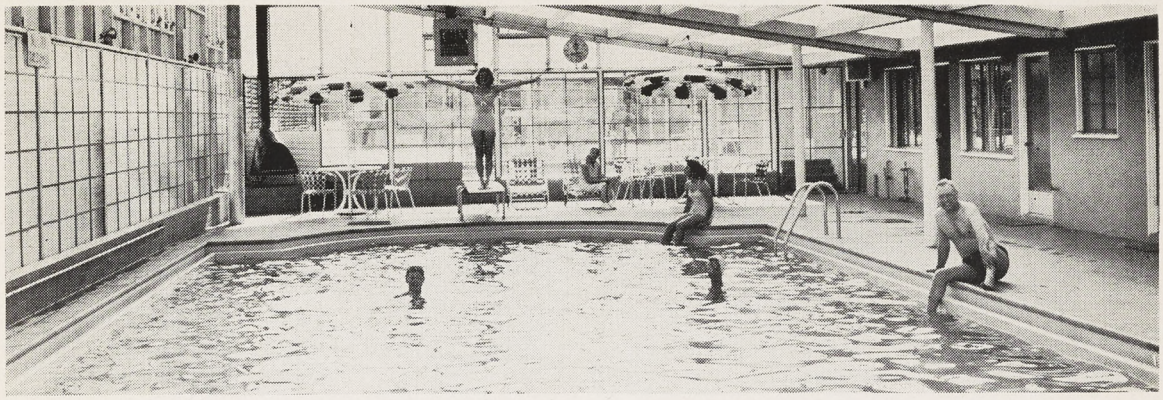

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Luncheon meetings are held at Callahan's Restaurant in Yucca Valley on the first and third Tuesdays of each month with the exception of July, August and September.

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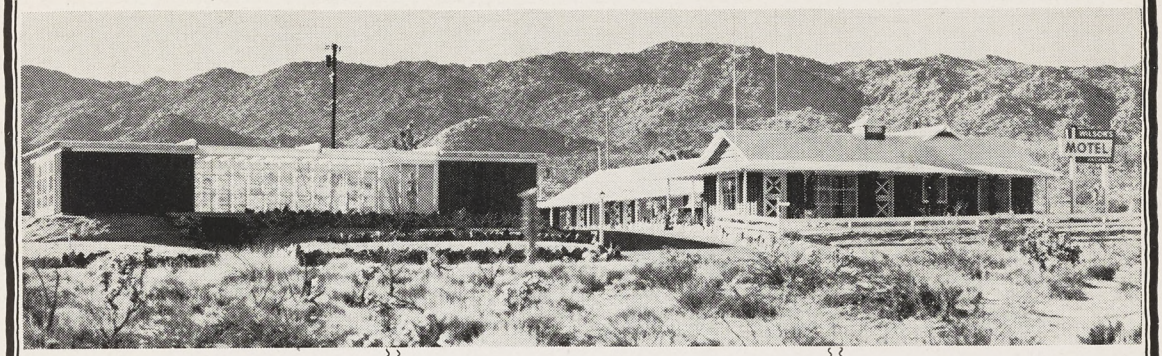

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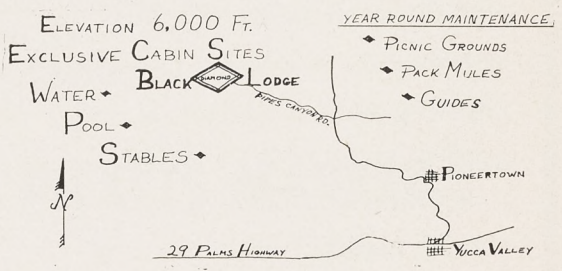

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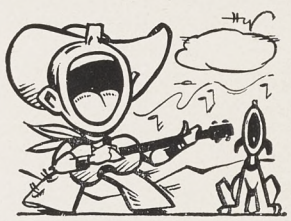

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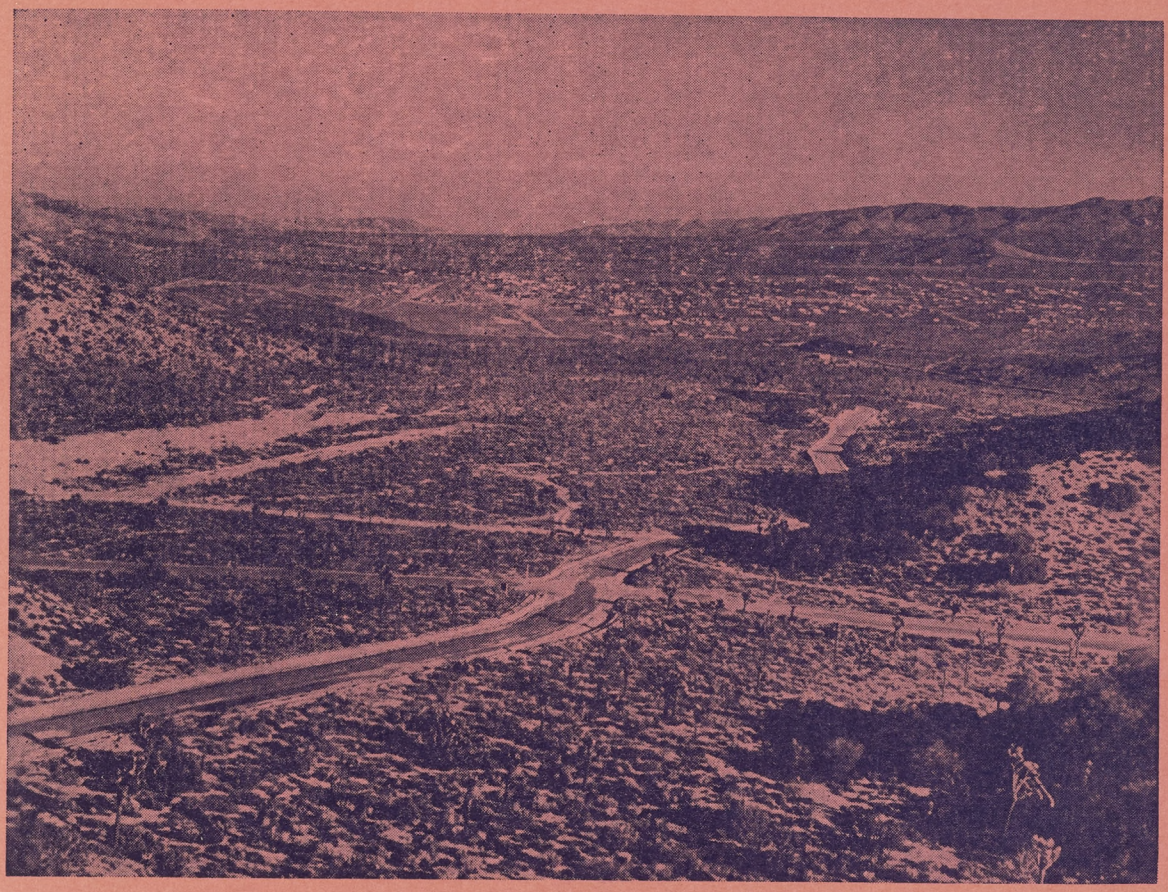

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